

Good day to each of you.

My name is Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) <sup>am</sup> and I a former Mayor of Edgemont, South Dakota, the host community for the Dewey-Burdock Project.

With few exceptions, this community is strongly in support of Powertech's proposed in-situ uranium project.

The Dewey-Burdock site is about 13 miles northwest of our community and we expect that our schools, our infrastructure and our businesses will see the benefits of this project.

Powertech has been a good corporate citizen of Edgemont since they opened their office here 10 years ago.

They have been very open with us and explained the project in detail. We look forward to the economic activity this will bring to our small community.

Over the years, we've had an awful lot of kids from our area earn engineering and science degrees and then have to go elsewhere to find meaningful work. Others have gone to Wyoming or North Dakota to work in technical and service oriented jobs.

Personally, I look forward to having good jobs nearby so that our young people can stay here or return here to work and raise a family.

As an elected official, I took my office and responsibilities very seriously. **And I think our City Council did that when they passed a Resolution of Support for the Dewey-Burdock Project.** I have a copy of it right here.

Jim Turner was our mayor when this was signed, but Jim has since passed away. So, I will do the honors of presenting you with this copy of the Resolution of Support for the Dewey-Burdock Project, and ask that it be included in the record of this hearing.

In conclusion, I want to emphasize my personal, strong support for the Dewey-Burdock project and I hope you will finalize the subject permits quickly and without unduly burdening the company.

More than 10 years is more than enough time to get a project like this started.

Thank you.

**RESOLUTION 2013-03-05**

**Supporting Responsible Uranium Recovery in Fall River and Custer Counties, South Dakota**

WHEREAS Powertech (USA) Inc. desires to extract uranium on the Dewey-Burdock Project site in Fall River and Custer Counties utilizing the *in situ* recovery method; and

WHEREAS the Dewey-Burdock Project has been analyzed by knowledgeable independent parties and demonstrates excellent economic characteristics as well as safe and environmentally sound capacity to be mined such that it meets the requirements of South Dakota and Federal oversight agencies; and

WHEREAS the economic base of the State of South Dakota and Fall River and Custer Counties will be significantly enhanced as Powertech (USA) Inc. directly or indirectly employs over 80 workers, provides an influx of more than \$50 million in non-payroll capital expenditures, and pays mineral severance taxes estimated to be more than \$10 million to the State of South Dakota and more than \$5 million each to Fall River County and Custer County; and

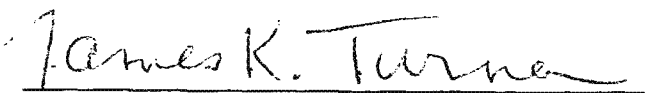
WHEREAS uranium mining in Fall River and Custer Counties will be strictly regulated and overseen by the State of South Dakota, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency so as to protect the public health, worker health and the surrounding environment; and

WHEREAS it is the belief of this entity that energy production and economic development will be balanced with environmental stewardship in Fall River and Custer Counties.


**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that upon demonstrating to state and federal regulators that operations at the Dewey-Burdock Project can be done in a manner that is protective of the public health and the environment, the City of Edgemont Common Council supports and encourages the granting of state and federal licenses and permits to Powertech (USA) Inc. to commence *in situ* uranium recovery activities at the Dewey-Burdock Project site in Fall River and Custer Counties, South Dakota.

Dated this 5<sup>th</sup> Day of March 2013.

Edgemont Common Council  
Edgemont, South Dakota

  
James K. Turner, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Tami Habeck, Finance Officer